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FM AMEMBASSY SANTO DOMINGO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5643

INFO USDEL MTN GENEVA

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PASS STR

FOR ARA/PAF

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRD, MTN, DR

SUBJECT: GSP FOLLOW UP

REFS: STATE 289331, STATE 287005, STATE 283321,  
SANTO DOMINGO 5442

FOLLOWING IS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF GODR'S DOMINICAN CENTER  
FOR EXPORT PROMOTION (CEDOPEX) ING. FERNANDO PERICHE'S REPLY  
TO AMBASSADOR DENT'S LETTER (STATE 289331):

QUOTE DEAR MR. DENT:

WE ARE PLEASED TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF YOUR LETTER DATED  
DECEMBER 10, 1975, OFFERING US YOUR COOPERATION IN CONNECTION  
WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE U.S. GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF  
PREFERENCES (GSP) AND THE GENEVA MULTILATERAL TRADE  
NEGOTIATIONS.

QUOTE WE HAVE RECEIVED THE LIST OF THE PRODUCTS INCLUDED IN  
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THE GSP AND HAVE MADE A CAREFUL ANALYSIS OF THE ADVANTAGES

AND DRAWBACKS THAT THE SYSTEM WILL PROVIDE TO OUR COUNTRY, BOTH NOW AND AS REGARDS FUTURE PROSPECTS. WE BELIVE, AS YOU DO, THAT THE IMPORTANCE OF ANY BENEFITS THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MAY OBTAIN LIES MORE IN THE FUTURE THAN UNDER THE PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES, AND WILL DEPEND ON OUR INCREASING EXPORTS AND THE APPEARANCE OF NEW EXPORT PRODUCTS. QUOTE IN THIS CONNECTION, WE ARE PREPARING AN EXPLANATORY BROCHURE ON THE GSP, WHICH WILL INCLUDE THE DUTY-PAYING PRODUCTS EXPORTED BY OUR COUNTRY, AS WELL AS THE NEW ITEMS WHICH WE CONSIDER WE COULD PRODUCE AND/OR EXPORT. THIS BROCHURE WILL SERVE AS A GUIDE TO EXPORTERS, AND WE BELIEVE THAT IT SHOULD STIMULATE THE SEARCH FOR NEW PRODUCTS THAT COULD BENEFIT FROM DUTY EXEMPTIONS. AT THE SAME TIME, WE ARE PROCEEDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE ON THE SUBJECT TO ALL INTERESTED SECTORS AND WOULD WELCOME THE COOPERATION OF THE UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES IN THIS MATTER. QUOTE AS YOU ARE AWARE, MOST OF OUR EXPORTS ARE INCLUDED IN CHAPTER 1 OF THE LAW ON CUSTOMS TARIFFS, WHICH DUE TO ITS VERY NATURE IS THE LEAST FAVORED BY THE GSP. TO THIS MUST BE ADDED THE NON-TARIFF OBSTACLES RESTRICTING THE ENTRY OF MANY OF OUR PRODUCTS, SUCH AS, FOR EXAMPLE, QUOTA AND SANITARY REGULATIONS, AND SIZE OF PRODUCTS. THIS IS WHY WE CONSIDER, AS YOU DO, THAT EVEN MORE IMPORTANT TO US THAN THE GSP WILL BE WHAT WE OBTAIN WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS. QUOTE IN VIEW OF THIS, WE APPRECIATE YOUR OFFER OF COOPERATION, SINCE THE UNITED STATES IS THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC'S LARGEST EXPORT AND IMPORT MARKET, WHICH MEANS THAT WE MUST WORK IN COORDINATION IN ORDER TO IMPROVE OUR MUTUAL FOREIGN TRADE. QUOTE WE SINCERELY APPRECIATE YOUR REFERENCED LETTER AND HOPE TO KEEP IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH YOU IN THE COMING MONTHS. /S/ ING. FERNANDO PERICHE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. END QUOTE. HURWITCH

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